

1724 Massachusetts Ave N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036-1903 Tel: 202.775.3664 Fax: 202.775.3603

September 3, 2002

EX PARTE

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CS Docket No. 98-120

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 29, 2002, Dan Brenner, Jill Luckett and Diane Burstein of the National Cable & Telecommunications Association met with Rick Chessen, Associate Bureau Chief of the Media Bureau. During our meeting, we argued that broadcasters should not be entitled to dual carriage during the transition and that the FCC should not grant broadcasters must carry rights for their digital broadcast signal until they have returned their analog spectrum.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Daniel L. Brenner

Daniel L. Brenner

cc: Rick Chessen, Associate Bureau Chief, Media Bureau